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Dear Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is the **UTILITY** patent application of:

Inventor(s): Katsuhiko TOMINAGA et al.

Title: HIGH-STRENGTH, HEAT-RESISTANT ALLOY FOR EXHAUST VALVES WITH IMPROVED OVERAGING-RESISTANCE

24 pages of written description, claims and abstract.
 _____ sheet(s) of formal drawings.
 Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney
 Assignment Papers (cover sheet and documents)
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Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission including:
 Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 Specification Sequence Listing on:
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| BASIC FEE | 10 | 10 |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 20 - 20 = | 0 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED | | |

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| SMALL ENTITY | |
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| RATE | FEE |
| \$ 385.00 | \$ 385.00 |
| x 9 | \$ |
| x 43 | \$ |
| + 145 | \$ |
| TOTAL | \$ |

| OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY | |
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| RATE | FEE |
| \$ 770.00 | \$ 770.00 |
| x 18 | \$ |
| x 86 | \$ |
| + 290 | \$ |
| TOTAL | \$ 770.00 |

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
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